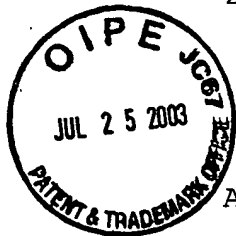


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REMARKS

1. (Currently Amended) Apparatus for the removal of lens tissue, said apparatus comprising, in combination:
a first instrument for inserting into a lens capsule, fragmenting and removing a cataract therein, the

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